(b) if so, the details thereof: and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be opened ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) The endeavour of the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti is to open one Navodaya Vidyalaya in each District of the country, including those in Assam, at the earliest, depending on receipt of suitable proposals from the concerned State/ U.T. Governments offering 30 acres of land, free of cost, rent free temporary accommodation and other infrastructural facilities as per norms of the samiti, subject to availability of financial resources.

Kottapuram-Kollam (Waterway-III)

243. SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the quantum of funds allocated for the development of Kottapuram-Kollam National Waterway-III during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) the total expenditure out of it incurred so far for the developmental activities of the above 'waterway' up to the end of the last financial year;

(c) the reasons for the non-utilisation of total funds earmarked for the development of the waterway; and

(d) the steps being taken for expeditious completion of the project ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) Rs. 10.50 crores.

(b) The year-wise budget allocation and expenditure are given below :

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Allocation	Expenditure
1992-93	1.50	0.10
1993-94	3.00	0.70
1994-95	1.00	0.89
1995-96	1.00	0.97
1996-97	4.00	1.03*
	10.50	3.69

*upto January, 1997.

(c) The Waterway was declared as National waterway at the close of the financial year 1992-93 (February, 1993). The year 1993-94 was the first year of National Waterway. Preliminary steps such as setting up of organisation, field investigations and survey, Environmental Impact Assessment, Environment Management Plan studies etc., were taken up. The expenditure during subsequent two years was 89% and 97% of allocation respectively.

(d) Steps have already been taken by the Inland Waterways Authority of India for formulating all the schemes which were earlier delayed. A number of schemes have already been sanctioned by it as per procedure. Two major schemes pertaining to land acquisition and capital dredging are under process.

[Translation]

IIM in Maharashtra

244. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have taken a decision to set up a number of Indian Institutes of Management in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) No, Sir. There are four Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) located at Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Calcutta and Lucknow and the Government have recently approved establishment of two new IIMs at Calicut and Indore.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Espionage Activities by Pak Officials

245. PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Pakistani High Commission official was recently arrested by the military intelligence for his alleged espionage activites involving an Indian army official; and

(b) if so, the details thereof stating the action taken by the Government on the report of the military intelligence ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) and (b) On the night of 28-29th September, 1996 a staff member of Pakistan High Commission, New Delhi was apprehended while accepting defence related documents. As he was indulging in activities incompatible with his official status, Government of India demanded that Pakistan withdraw the concerned staff member from India by 2nd October, 1996. The Pakistani staff member left India on 2.10.1996.

Foreign Trips by Ministers

246. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :